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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim Amendment Summary

Claims pending

- At time of the Action: Claims 1-35, 37-40, and 42-52.
- After this Response: Claims 7-9, 19-24, 27-29, and 55.

Canceled or Withdrawn claims: 1-6, 10-18, 25, 26, 30-54, and 56.

Amended claims: 7, 8, 9, and 19.

New claims: none.

Claims:

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Claims 1-6 are CANCELED

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method as recited in claim 1 further emprising A method for measuring bandwidth between two entities on a communications network, the method comprising:

<u>via a communications network, receiving at least a pair of non-</u> compressible packets having measurable characteristics;

calculating bandwidth based upon, measurable characteristics of at least the pair of non-compressible packets;

determining if the calculated bandwidth is outside a given range of believability for calculated bandwidth;

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if the calculated bandwidth is determined to be outside the given range of believability, then querying a modem of an entity about a bandwidth setting of the modem when result of calculating bandwidth is outside a given range of believability.

- 8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method as recited in elaim 1 claim 7, wherein the queried modem is a modem of a receiving entity. further comprising storing result of calculating bandwidth within a list of recent bandwidth measurements.
- 9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method as recited in elaim 1 claim 7, wherein the queried modem is a modem of a sending entity. further comprising: storing result of calculating bandwidth within a list of recent bandwidth measurements;

finding a statistical derivation from such list, such derivation representing a most likely actual bandwidth between the two entities.

Claims 10-18 are CANCELED.

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19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method for measuring bandwidth between two entities on a dynamic network, the method comprising:

via a dynamic network, sending at least a pair of non-compressible packets, the dynamic network being a communications network having no assurance that both packets of a pair of identical packets are handled in an identical manner while in transit on the communications network;

receiving a bandwidth calculation based upon measurements related to at least the pair of non-compressible packets;

selecting a file formatted for a given bandwidth that is equal to or less than the bandwidth calculation;

sending the selected file via the dynamic network.

- 20. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein each of the pair of non-compressible packets is approximately fragmentation-avoidance size.
- 21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein each of the pair of non-compressible packets is highly entropic.
- **22.** (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein each of the pair of non-compressible packets is formatted for TCP.
- 23. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein each of the pair of non-compressible packets is formatted for UDP.

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24. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the packets of the pair are equivalent in size.

- 25. (CANCELED)
- 26. (CANCELED)
- 27. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 19, before the sending, further comprising selecting one of the pair of noncompressible packets from a set of differing non-compressible packets.
- 28. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 19, before the sending, further comprising generating the pair of non-compressible packets.
- 29. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium having computerexecutable instructions that, when executed by a computer, performs the method as recited in claim 19.

Claims 30-54 are CANCELED.

55. (NEW) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the dynamic network is the Internet.

56. (CANCELED)

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